NEGROES ORGANIZE

STATE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEES TO CARRY ON THE WORK.

peech from Dr. Curry-The

called to order yesterday morning Hon. J. took a seat near the door, and was evidently

ry long before Chairman Joseph T. Wiln in a very complimentary manner to

or. Curry congratulated the colored ple on their efforts to better their concon, and for about half an hour he gave m some sungestions as to how they the improve their material and spiritual

The Resolutions.

MORAL IMPROVEMENT.

the exception we shall be accorded all the rights of which we now stand deprived.

We regard the defeat of the Blair educational bill by the United States Senate as a blow at ropular education in the South, and while we were not in scalous accord with Senator Blair in passing the measure to a conclusion in the shape in which it was presented, we none the less feel that it is the duty of the National Government to aid the States in the education of the masses. While heartily endorsing our Senators for their votes in favor of the principles of this great measure, proposed in part for the quilifting of humanity and the uplifting of the people of this State, we at the same time express our hearty dissent and sognified disapproval of the acts of the present Legislature of Virginia in their efforts to cripple the already public provisions for negro education in this Commonwealth, as is evidenced by their election to the office of Superintendent of Public instruction a man who has openly declared negro education to be a failure and who contends that the negroes, though the labelers, are not real tat-payers of the Commonwealth.

lence with his former professed in the negro.
We are of the opinion that emigration should be voluntary act of the individual and that no general scheme should be encouraged to that end, for we are here as citizens and will leave or remain as to us individually may seem best.

Before a vote was taken on the adoption of the report several members obtained the floor to speak to the resolutions, and for some time the convention was treated to the opinions of several members on many subjects, as nearly every speaker took a wide range in his remarks.

Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, of Richmond, thought his people needed confidence in each other. They must patronize men of their own race, or their condition will never be bettered. As it pow is, a negrovery seldom buys from a colored merchant, and when he does it is generally with an idea of getting goods on credit and never paying for them. He wanted it to go forth from the convention that it is time for the negroes to help each other. It is time to stop looking for Federal and State legislation for the benefit of the negro. His pecule, he thought, have already given too much time to politics.

STAY RIGHT HERE,

W. H. Brooks, of Bichmond, didn't want the negroes to think about emigrating. Their opportunities for becoming a great and prosperous race are just as good here in Virginia as in the woods of the West. It is time, he suggested, for us to help colored people who have a business of their ows. Let us stop helping Irishmen and other foreigners to grow rich. Some Irishmen come to Richmond with only fifteen cents, and get all your money, and soon they own fine mansions, to which we are not invited, and from which we will be excluded should we try to enter.

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DOWN ON MR. MASSEY.

Mitchell, Jr., said he was struck that part of the report which retained the Superintendent of Public Interest and holds.

The following was offered by J. Wesley Jones, of Richmond, and was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:
Whereas the names of thousands of bona-fide colored voters have been stricken from the pollobooks of this State: therefore be it.
Received, That we hereby recommend to the colored men in this State to take steps to have their names immediately restored.

The convention spent some time discussing matters of no general importance, and after listening to an address from Rev. W. W. Colley, late missionary to Africa, adjourned sine die.

dency of the Rockbridge Company forces upon him a great deal of open-air exercise. The crisp mountain air suits him; he looks as bright as gold and almost as robust as an athlete.

He is taking a great deal of interest in the ceremonies which will attend the unveiling of the monument to Robert E. Lee, and on that occasion will be the chief marshal of the parade.

This morning he leaves the city for his home, which is at Lexington new, but will before very long be at Glasgow.

The following deeds of bargain and sale ere admitted to record yesterday in the fice of the Clerk of the City Chancery

office of the Cierk of the Crey Causes.

Court:

E. C. Garrison and wife to E. H. Fergusson, SI feet on westside Twenty-fourth street between O and Burton, \$785.

Marianna Hills's trustee to Isaac and Samuel Cohen, 32 feet on north side Grace street between First and Foushee, \$4,455.

Andrew J. James and wife to Richard McCarthy, 18 feet on Main street northwest corner Twentieth, \$2,600.

Jafferson Rogers to H. B. Burwell, 32 feet on Charity street northwest corner St. Paul, \$750.

CONDEMNATION ORDERS.

CONDEMNATION ORDERS. John T. Chappell and others by city of Richmond, order condemning property for proposed new street near Church-Hill avenue and Clay street.

COUNTY COURT OF HENRICO.

Robert P. Binckburn and wife to Joseph Bryan,
lot 30x30 on Brook turnpike, 833.

Amos R. Hunt and wife to George W. Hunt, 100
acres near Bottom's Bridge.

Andrew J. Smith's trustees to Home Building
Company, 35 feet on north side P sireet near
Twenty-second, \$515.

THE EXCISE BOARD.

Richmond Light Infantry Blues' Anniversary.

The ninety-seventh anniversary of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues will occur on the 10th of May, and the tollowing committees have been appointed to arrange for the celebration and will soon be called together to make preparations:

From the Association: Colonel J. Bell Bigger (chairman), Andrew Krouse, S. S. P. Patteson, Walter A. Williams, and Charles C. Rady.

From the Company: Lieutenant Clarence Wyatt, Sergeant W. B. Pizzini, Captain Frank B. Steel, L. L. Cheatwood, and Charles A. Page.

The Blues are finely organized and disciplined and will parade with full ranks on this approaching anniversary.

Supreme Court of Appeals.

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Richmond City Railway Company against Scott. Further argued by W. R. Meredith. Esq., for plaintif in error, and Judge W. W. Crump, for defendant in error, and submitted.

Miller's administrator against Potterfield and others. Argued by B. T. Crump, Esq., for appellant, and J. W. Foster, Esq., for appellees.

Candidate for Re-Election.

Hop. George D. Wise returned to the city

debts that linger as unpleasant mementoes

ticipate in the meeting unless any and air matters pertaining to the society and its affairs could be considered. He was assured that such was the case and that the circu-lar had no such meaning as suggested by

Mr. Waddey held that the proxies were very plain, and that what was on their backs had nothing to do with the case.

Major Walker thought the printing on the back constituted presumptive instructions to the proxies, and might be so construed by a court.

A QUORUM PRESENT.

Mr. Bryan thought the circular could not Mr. Bryan thought the circular could not be perverted or construed so as to mean other than what was intended—that the subjects named would be among those considered. He did not see the paper until it had been printed, and he admitted that he did not approve of one clause. Messrs, Call and Steger were placed on the committee in lieu of the two gentlemen who decined.

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Colonel Robert Beverley, of Fauquier, who was president of the Agricultural Society for several years, now arose to a question of personal privilege and was recognized by the Chair.

Major Randelph objected to the use of the title of "Colonel" by Mr. Starke when recognizing the speaker. He insisted that the gentleman from Fauquier was not entitled to this distinction and should be called plain Mr.

Colonel Beverley said he had never claimed to be a colonel, and had often insisted that he should not be so called.

He then proceeded with his statement, and said he understood that at the last meeting the President in his absonce had made quite bitter remarks about his conduct. He regretted not having been present at the time, as it might have saved him this visit to Richmond.

The speaker said he felt that he had perhaps done wrong in using the word "bogus" in his communication to the Southern Planter, as it was capable of a construction which he did not intend should be placed upon his language. He had heard that stock had been subscribed for and not paid up, but he had never for one moment entertained the idea that there was any fraud, and he desired publicly to disclaim any intention of casting reflections on the honor of those connected with the society's management.

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As to Mr. Starke's censure of him for not being present as it was his duty to be, the speaker said he received no notice of the meeting, but heard of it, and left home as early as 7 A. M. to come, but the train was delayed, and when he got here he was told that the meeting had adjourned.

The Colonel thought it would have been better to send out notices of the meeting and not rely on newspaper publications.

Colonel Beverley said he cared nothing about this, but he did have some feeting as to the attack made on him for bringing legal proceedings to quiet the title to the property, which if sold under a cloud would not have brought one fourthof its value. The injunction was only asked to prevent such a calamity. He and all the other lifemembers were in favor of paying all of the society's debts, but they did not want valuable property sacrificed. He believed that the property, with its title property perfected by the courts, would bring a half million dollars a few years hence, and enable the society to pay everytling and start on an era of prosperity such as it has never known. Colonel Beverley was very conservative in what he said, and the frankness with which he admitted his error was generally commended.

THE COLONEL MISTAKEN.

CHANGE THE RECORD.

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Personal explanations being over, Colonel.

Knight again called attention to the record, and offered the following:

Resolved, That the record of the proceedings of the last meeting be corrected to show that W. C. Knight and other life-members withdrew from the meeting when the vote was called for to approve the late act of the Legislature amending the eighth section of the act approved February 9, 1898, known as the Exposition act, before said vote was taken and did not further participate in the proceedings.

A SUBSTITUTE ADDRED.

the same people who borrowed money on the society's property years ago were now raising the cry against its title. The resolution was unanimously adopted and most of the members absented thems

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PAIR THIS PALL.

Mr. B. F. Johnson offered a resolution, which was adopted, directing the Executive Committee to take into consideration the question of holding a fair or exposition this fall, and authorizing them to hold the same if in their judgment it is deemed expedient to dozo.

The society adjourned over for four weeks.

Just before Colonel Buford's resolution was adopted Dr. Holt obtained the floor, and was proceeding to remark that in his judgment the society should make apology to the life-members for having at the last meeting adopted a resolution censuring them for bringing the suit in the Chancery Court, when Mr. McGuire arose to a point of order and the speaker was ruled down.

Mr. Hobson, of Powhatan, made a speech of some length urging greater harmony between the city and country people.

A Pretty Marriage at the First Baptist

Church Yesterday Evening.

A large and interested number of friends crowded the First Baptist church yesterday evening to witness the marriage of Miss Lillie Eudora Gunn and Mr. William Gray Watten

Wattson.

The bride has been one of the belles and beauties of Richmond, and had won many friends by her lovely disposition and engaging manners. She is the daughter of Mr. James Frederick Gunn, and the groom is connected with Egbert G. Leigh, Jr., & Co. in the wholesale grocery business. THE WEDDING.

James Troyman Wayt acting as best man.

A LOVELY LADY.

The bride entered upon the arm of the groom, she looked very lovely in an exquisite costume of fir-green embroidered serge, with a dainty turban of green and gold, tan gloves, and a rich bouquet of American Heauties.

Mendelssohn's wording march proclaimed the coremony over and the young couple passed down the aiste, followed by the ushers, and took the carriage at the church, which conveyed them to the northern-bound train at 620. They will make an extended northern four to Boston, New Yorz, and Philadelphia.

Their presents were very numerous and elegant, attesting the popularity of the young people, and many good wishes attend them.

A GENERAL INVITATION.

The ground on which both of these companies took action was the following circular invitations, copies of which have probably been sent broadcast:

andoubtedly in deference to these that the

Lydecker said last evening, although his company voted in favor of the trip the previous evening.

Lieutenant-Colonel George Moon Smuth expressed much the same opinion, and said that he was awfully sorry that any controversy had arisen. The public had done it, not the regiment.

Meeting of the Richmond Military Committee.

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A meeting of the Military Committee was held in the off ers' room at the Regimental Armory last night. Major W. E. Simons presided a portion of the time and Colonel Jones the remainder.

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Captain Brooks wrote that he would have his company (the Roanoke Light Infantry of the Second Virginia regiment) at the unveiling. He says he will bring seventy-five men.

A letter was read from the Superintendent of St. John's Academy, Alexandria, saying that he would bring down the corps of cadets if they could camp on the grounds for a week and be allowed to cook their own rations. This propositien suited the committee exactly.

Several companies of the First regiment, National Guard of West Virginia, signified their intention of attending the unveiling ceremonies.

BALLEGAD RATES.

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Po-

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Po-omac and Chesapeake and Ohio railroads ent official communications stating they could each give a rate of one cent per

Colonel Marshall, from the sub-commit-tee on this subject, stated that they had not looked into the expediency of securing any quarters for visiting soldiers other than the Exposition building. He had the word of several members of the Executive Committee of the Agricultural and Me-chanical Society that it could certainly be had for this purpose. This would be amply sufficient to accommodate all the visitors. APPROPRIATION.

Some little comment was made upon the action of the General Committee in decreasing the military appropriation from \$2,500 to \$2,000.

PERSONAL SOLICITATION. Major Evans was of opinion that the attempt to raise money by circular was a mistake. People do not know what amount they are expected to contribute. Many will send in checks for \$15 or \$20 who, if they were seen in person, would probably give \$100. Five times as much, he was sure, could be obtained by a personal canvass, and he was in favor of the Military Committee staking time by the forelock and going around before the other committees did.

room thees did.

FROM THE SEVENTH.

Colonel Jones submitted the following, which the press, by resolution, was requested to publish:

Headquarters Seventh Regiment, National Guard, & N. Y.,
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National Guard, & S.,
Sir,—I have the honor to a canowiedge the receipt of your circular invitation to be present with this command on the occasion of the unveiling of the equestrian statue of General Robert & Lee, at Richmond, on May 23, 1830.

Allow me to express my sense of the compliment you pay the regiment in inviting it to be present at an event that must appeal to your warmest sympathies. It would afford me great pleasure to bring this matter to the attention of the several companies of the regiment, but owing to the fact that they will be under orders from the authorities to parade on the 20th of May, it would not be possible to accept your hospitable invitation.

The members of the Seventh regiment enter-

Robert E. Lee, at Richmond, on May 29th.

There was no abatement in the controversy vesterday, but there seemed to be a general feeling on the part of the Seventh's officers to refrain from entering into the discussion.

The business of the meeting being transacted the query was put in a casual manner. "Where is the statue?" No definite answer could be given. It is still probably in Paris pending arrangements for shipment from Havre to New York.

The statue will be shipped to Richmond in eight pieces, which will be "buttoned" together after they are placed in position. The committee will meet again next Wednesday night.

The Washington statue was put up in one piece, with the exception of the horse's tail, which was screwed on afterwards.

Major Simons remarked last night that very few people knew how the statue had been put in place.

It was accomplished, he said, by means of "sieara" (large masts and tackle) brought here from the Norfolk navy-yard. These were attached to a large "crab" or drum planted in the ground about half way to the Governor's house, by means of which the horse and rider was easily hoisted to the top of the pedestal.

LEO WHEAT TO APPEAR AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

The announcement that Richmond's old-time favorite. Leo Wheat, is to appear at the Academy of Music next week will be halled with delight. It has been many years since he gave his last concert in Richmond, and our music-loving people will be eager to embrace the opportunity to hear once more the brilliant playing that entranced them in the days gone by.

His engagements for some time past have been mostly in northern and western cities, and the papers describe his power over his audiences as something extraordinary.

STUDIES OF WORKS OF ART.

To-night as 8:30 o'clock Hon, William T. Har-

TO-DIES OF WORKS OF ART.

To-night as 250 o'clock Hon, William T. Harris, LL D., of Washington, will begin a series of lectures at Richmond College on "Studies from Some Groat Works of Art," His subject to-night will be "The Sistine Madouna and the St. Cecella of Raphael; the Madounas of Drosden and Darmstoth, by Holoten."

THE NEXT MOZART.

At the Mozart sussicals next Monday night there will appear the best company of the season—consisting of Bernhard Listemann, violinist; Fritz Giese, violincellist, and an excellent company. ompany.

THE MAY-PENTIVAL CHORUS.

The Broad-Street Meetings.

The meetings at Broad-Street Methodist Episcopal church are growing more and more interesting. Last night, notwithstanding the attractions elsewhere, there was a good attendance—the largest crowd during the meetings. A very deep religious feeling pervades the congregation. There was one conversion last night, All are cordially invited to attend. Rev. L. L. Nash, who is assisting in these meetings, is a man of great spiritual power.

Legion of Red Crost.

Granite Council, No. 29, of the Legion of Red Cross has been instituted with a large charter-list, and the following officers have been installed: R. G. Stuart, commander: H. N. Fariss, vice-commander; C. A. Crawford, past-commander; R. M. Anderson, recorder; C. M. Werne, financial seribe; C. G. Knotts, treasurer; E. F. Rust, prelate; E. O. Traylor, knight; P. A. Bramberry, warden; J. G. Jennings, marshal; L. J. Alley, sentinel.

Mr. A. Pope, general regint agent of the soft folk and Western railroad, was in the city yesterday.

The members of the City School Board yesterday morning began their tour of inspection of the public schools.

Roger B. Atkinson, Rest., of Staunton, and a member of Richmonn's only "Thirteen Club," is in the city visiting friends and relatives.

Dr. Blair Burwell qualified in the Chancery Court yesterday as administrator, with the will annexed, of Henry Dell Burwell. The estate is valued at \$1,500.

Miss Aonie Boggs, of Pittsburgt, Pa., who has been visiting Mrs. Samuel Mayo, of \$810 cast Frankin street, has returned home after a visit of several weeks.

In the Hussings Court yesterday Bolly Page (colored) was tried on two charges of petit larcent. In one case she gos ninety days in jull, and was acquited in the other.

"Ma-Kawi-You-Can," under the auspices of the Borcas Society and the Young Ladles' Ald Society of Leigh-Street Baptist church, will be held at Corcoran Hall to hight.

The Coroner yesterday viewed the body of Mrs. Mary R. Roach, a wildow residing at 514 Catherines street, who died at 9 A. M. very suddonly—from congestion of the lungs probably.

Major R. F. Walkor yesterday succeeded Mr. F. E. Stover as superintendent of the city letter-carriers. Since Mr. Russell has been postmaster Major Walker has been a clerk in the money-order department.

ANNIVERSARY LAST NIGHT OF THE

BIBLE SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA.

The seventy-seventh anniversayy of the Virginia Bible Society was celebrated last night at the Second Presbyterian church. ter. The address of Dr. Haygood was a rich gem, and will have the effect of

After the hymn,

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"God in the gospel of His Son,
Makes His sternal counsels known,"
had been sung, the recretary, Mr. T. L. D.
Walford, read the seventy-seventh annual
report of the society.

The statistics for the year show an increase in
donations as fellows:

Last year the amount received from churches
and individuals was \$1.088.30. This year we
have received \$1.477.35. Last year we reported
10.000 volumes distributed at the cost value of
\$2.633.16. This year we have to report 14.400
volumes distributed at the cost-prise value of
\$4.681.08. Thus showing a large increase in
contributions to support the cause and a corresponding increase of work done.

Business summary.

Vaine of Bibles and Testaments sold... \$4,361 05
Annuities of life-members. 44 00
Gratuitous distribution. 11:6 95
Sales charged on open account. 109 08

Donations from churches and indi-Cash balance from last report..... Colportours' salary, commissions, and

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"How precious is the book divine, By Inspiration given,"

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was sung, and at its conclusion Dr. Lambeth made a brief address, in which he welcomed the large assemblage and paid a high tribute to Dr. Haygood, who owes all of his good works, which are many, and honors, which have been abundant, to the Bible,—a book for which, he said, the honored speaker of the evening cherished the fondest affection and to the promulgation of the truths of which he had contributed so largely.

Dr. Haygood, who is of short and rather stout stature, with a full gray chin beard, is a very attractive and interesting speaker. He makes no attempt at oratory, but expresses himself in a plain conversational manner that draws the profound attention of his hearers. His diction is pure and simple and his way of presenting facts very attractive.

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The speaker prefaced his address with an expression of the pleasure that it gave him to be in Richmond, a place loved by all the southern people, and especially at an anniversary of the society, which is engaged in the blessed work of distributing the Word of God. He said he felt an especial interest in this organization, which is the most successful auxiliary engaged in this commendable undertaking.

He alinded briefly to the recent celebration of the forty-fifth anniversary of Dr. Hoge's pastoral connection with this eminent servant of God whose labors of more than a half century have been so abundantly blessed.

The speaker said his hearers need not be alarmed because he had a few sheets of paper before him, for he did not intend to speak long, and only had these notes to remind him when he should close.

Don't forget that the Pound Party for the benefit of the Little Sisters of the Poor continues all this week. Here is an opportunity for real charity. Articles can be left at the Home or at the principal grocers. Anything in the way of food or clothing will be acceptable. Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

Transparent Glycerine Soap, 45c. lozen.

Blue Castile Soap, 25c. a bar for this
week only at Routt's Drugstore, Second
and Main.

We, the people who have tried it, find A B. C. Alterative an absolute blood purifier

A Sufferer's Grateful Testimony RICHMOND, Va., April 1, 1830,

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria. The difference in cost between the absolutely

and PRATT'S ASTRAL. Oil, and the cheap and dangerous burning oils is but about \$1.50 to \$2 per annum for an ordinary family, and yet to save this small sum many families facur the great risk of "a herosene explosion" with all its well-known horrors.

I am selling NoLANDINE, and I have heard good reports from it as a tonic and blood-purifier.

GEORGE R. EWELL, Druggist,

NO. 705 cast Broad street,